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Steve Solomon currently serves as Director of the Office of Antimicrobial Resistance in the Division of Healthcare Quality Promotion, National Center for Emerging and Zoonotic Infectious Diseases, in the Office of Infectious Diseases at CDC. He received a B.A. from Rutgers University in 1971 and an M.D. from Tufts University in 1975. He is Board Certified in Internal Medicine, Infectious Diseases and Preventive Medicine. Dr. Solomon was in the clinical practice of internal medicine and infectious diseases before joining the U.S. Public Health Service in 1981. At that time, he was assigned to CDC as an officer in the Epidemic Intelligence Service with the Hospital Infections Program in CDC's Center for Infectious Diseases. He completed his Preventive Medicine Residency (PMR) training at CDC and later served as Assistant Director of CDC's PMR Program. Dr. Solomon has held several senior positions at CDC developing, conducting and directing collaborative research and demonstration programs with academic institutions, hospitals and health systems, and state and local health departments. In addition to his work in the areas of infection control, healthcare epidemiology and antimicrobial resistance, he also focused in recent years on health systems research and using information technology and health communication to evaluate and improve clinical and public health services. From 2005 until 2009, he served as Director of CDC's Coordinating Center for Health Information and Service, with responsibility for CDC's National Centers for Health Statistics, Public Health Informatics and Health Marketing. Dr. Solomon retired in 2010 from the U.S. Public Health Service with the rank of Rear Admiral. From 1989 to 2009 he was an attending and staff physician at the Veterans Administration Medical Center in Decatur, GA and was an Assistant Clinical Professor of Medicine at Emory University School of Medicine. In addition to his roles at CDC, Dr. Solomon has previously served as chair of the Patient Safety Task Force of DHHS, as a member of the DHHS American Health Information Community, and as Deputy Director of the Office of Healthcare Quality in the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health in DHHS. He is currently a co-chair of the Federal Interagency Task Force on Antimicrobial Resistance.